

VZCZCXRO7870  
RR RUEHMA RUEHPA  
DE RUEHNM #0737 2101441  
ZNR UUUUU ZZH  
R 281441Z JUL 08  
FM AMEMBASSY NIAMEY  
TO RUEHC/SECSTATE WASHDC 4451  
INFO RUEHZK/ECOWAS COLLECTIVE  
RUEHLMC/MCC WASHDC  
RUEHFR/AMEMBASSY PARIS 0706

UNCLAS NIAMEY 000737

DEPT FOR AF/W DENNISON, AF/RSA HARPOLE AND AF/PDPA LISENBY

SIPDIS

E.O. 12958: N/A

TAGS: [PGOV](#) [PHUM](#) [SOCI](#) [KCOR](#) [KPAO](#) [NG](#)

SUBJECT: GON appeals dismissal of Kaka case

Ref: Niamey 623 and previous

11. On July 23, 2008 the investigating judge dismissed the criminal case against jailed Nigerien journalist Moussa Kaka and ordered him freed from prison. Nigerien law grants prosecutors 48 hours to appeal such rulings, so Kaka was not immediately released.

12. On July 25, the state prosecutor appealed the decision and Kaka will remain held pending resolution of the appeal.

13. No hearing date has been set for the appeal.

ALLEN